

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

January 14, 2010 at 10:00 AM

Room #303

Columbia Gateway Building
6751 Columbia Gateway Drive
Columbia, MD. 21046

Howard County Housing invites all interested citizens and all organizations that will submit an application for funding under the FFY 2010 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership Grant (HOME) to attend a public hearing to obtain your comments regarding the County's FY2010 Action Plan.

The CDBG and HOME programs provide funds that enable Howard County Housing and local organizations to carry out a variety of housing and community development activities that benefit low- and moderate-income citizens including housing rehabilitation, acquisition and rehabilitation, economic development and job training. A complete listing of eligible activities, information on Howard County's previous uses of CDBG and HOME funds and an application for funding will be available after the hearing. The application can also be obtained from Howard County Housing at the address noted below and on the County's web page (under departments) at www.howardcountymd.gov. Organizations applying for funding are required to attend this public hearing which will be followed by a brief pre-submission technical assistance work-session.

If you plan on testifying, a written copy of your testimony should be provided at the time of the hearing. If you cannot attend the hearing, written comments regarding the FY2010 Action Plan must be directed to Stacy L. Spann, Director and Executive Director, Howard County Housing or to Shirelle Bennett, Grants Administrator, at the Howard County Housing office, Third Floor, 6751 Columbia Gateway Drive, Columbia, MD. 21046. Comments must be received on or before January 14, 2010.

A sign language interpreter will be available upon request by contacting the Department of Citizen Services at (410) 313-6400 or (410) 313-6401 (TTY) a minimum of three (3) working days prior to the hearing. Efforts will be made to accommodate the disabled and non-English speaking citizens with three (3) days advance notice to Tiffany L. Smith, Special Assistant to the Director, at (410) 313-6491.